

LOUISIANA PUBLIC CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

The National Association of Social Workers, Louisiana (NASW-LA), a 2600 member organization, established a Public Citizen of the Year Award to honor an outstanding member of the community whose accomplishments exemplify the values and mission of professional social work. **The award winner is not a social worker.** Nominees should demonstrate leadership qualities in the field of human services exemplify personnel and professional integrity in an effort to help people.

CRITERIA

Candidates must:

1. Make significant contribution to an area or populations of concern to social work such as:
 - ◆ At risk or vulnerable populations
 - ◆ Quality of life in communities
 - ◆ Social issues
2. Act with courage
3. Demonstrate outstanding leadership
4. Exemplify social work values and ethics

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Chapters, individuals and social welfare organizations may nominate a candidate by submitting one (1) copy of the following:

1. Completed official nomination form
2. **One-page** summary of demonstrated contributions listing each of these accomplishments:
 - ◆ What was accomplished?
 - ◆ What were the consequences?
 - ◆ Who were the beneficiaries?
 - ◆ How do these accomplishments relate to social work?
3. Curriculum vita
4. Three (3) letters of support
5. Recent black and white photograph (*only one copy required*)

To ensure the candidate's eligibility, please adhere to the nomination guidelines. Use clear, concise, descriptive examples of activities and accomplishments. The nomination packet must include the nomination form, summary sheet, vita, support letters, and photograph. **The nomination packet must be received in the office by January 29, 2010.** The Chapter Executive Committee selects the winner and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors, which approves the award winner. The awardees, nominator, and region are notified. The award will be presented at NASW's Annual Conference, March 2010.